

WAR GRAVES

*Exchange of notes at Washington March 24 and April 19, 1948,
amending agreement of December 18, 1947, and January 21, 1948
Entered into force April 19, 1948*

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The Secretary of State to the Italian Ambassador

The Secretary of State presents his compliments to His Excellency the Italian Ambassador and has the honor to refer to the Embassy's note no. 11332 of December 18, 1947 and the Department's reply of January 21, 1948¹ regarding the free use of sites in Italy selected for the establishment of permanent United States military cemeteries and the proposed modification of Article 3 [III] of the agreement reached by an exchange of notes in September 1946² between the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the American Embassy at Rome.

The Department assumes that in suggesting a modification of the "first paragraph" of Article 3 of this agreement, it was intended that the last two sentences of Article 3 be retained. In order that there may be no misunderstanding on this point, it is suggested that the Embassy's note and the Department's reply be amended to read "the first sentence of Article 3" rather than "the first paragraph of Article 3."

The Department would appreciate the Embassy's confirming its understanding in this regard.

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DEPARTMENT OF STATE,
Washington, March 24, 1948.

The Italian Ambassador to the Secretary of State

The Italian Ambassador presents his compliments to the Honorable the Acting Secretary of State and has the honor to refer to the Department's note

¹ TIAS 1743, *ante*, p. 258.

² Exchange of notes verbales at Rome Sept. 13 and 24, 1946 (TIAS 1713), *ante*, p. 194.

of March 24, 1948 regarding the exchange of notes between the Department and the Embassy on the subject of the establishment in Italy of permanent United States military cemeteries.

In this connection the Embassy confirms its understanding that, in suggesting a modification of the first paragraph of Article 3 of the agreement reached on the above mentioned subject by an exchange of notes in September 1946 between the Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the American Embassy at Rome, it was intended that the last two sentences of Article 3 be retained.

The Embassy therefore agrees that its note and the Department's reply be amended to read "the first sentence of Article 3" rather than "the first paragraph of Article 3".

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Washington, D.C., April 19, 1948.

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